

# Appendix B

## INELIGIBLE VOLUNTEER RECORD SHEET REGISTRATION SERVICE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Council No. 092 Date 9/11/90

Full name Robert L. Shirley, Jr.  
(no initials if you can possibly get full name)

Social Security Number [REDACTED]

Address [REDACTED]

City Dallas State GA ZIP Code 30132-4656

Date of Birth November 24, 1958 (This is important and should be exact.)

Approximate age \_\_\_\_\_ (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known.)

Religion Presbyterian Nationality US

Occupation General Hardware-Asst Mgr Education Unknown

Weight approximately 145 lbs Height approx. 5'6" Race White

Color of hair Brown/Blond Color of eyes Unknown

Outstanding characteristics or interests Scouting

Married or single Single - Children None  
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

Spouse's name None

Scouting connections: 08614 - 202 315 Chartered organization: St. Catherine's

205111 Unit No. T-713 City Marietta Episcopal Church State GA

Position SM (als ASM in T-1111) 024038 Date registered 4/30/90 Date ~~terminated~~ suspended 9/10/90

Special recognition Wood Badge

Suspended or denied registration for following reasons: Alleged exposed & Fondled  
(See attached confidential verbatim statement. The victim is not currently a member of the BSA)

SPECIFY THE FACTS THAT LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND DENIAL OF REGISTRATION, INCLUDING HOW THE INFORMATION CAME TO THE COUNCIL'S ATTENTION, AND LIST ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (STATE ONLY KNOWN FACTS, NOT RUMOR, CONJECTURE, OR SPECULATION):

Signed [Signature]  
SCOUT EXECUTIVE

Council Atlanta Area Council, Inc.

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## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

National Office  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
P.O. Box 152079, Irving, Texas 75015-2079  
[REDACTED]

June 3, 1991

Robert L. Shirley  
[REDACTED]

Dallas, Georgia 30132

Dear Mr. Shirley:

On May 31, 1991 a review committee comprised of volunteer members of the Executive Board of the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America conducted a review of the denial of your registration in the Boy Scouts of America.

Please be advised that it was the decision of this review committee to uphold the action of the regional review committee in denying your registration.

Cordially,

Ben H. Love  
Chief Scout Executive

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bcc: Archie R. Crain, Scout Executive, Atlanta Area Council  
Hoyt Hunt, Regional Director, Southeast Region  
Paul Ernst, National Director Registration Service

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Fiesta Headquarters



Chief Scout Executive *Heidi Stepper*  
Boy Scouts of America  
[REDACTED]  
Irving, TX 75015-2079

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3 June 1991

Dear Sir:

I have not heard from you concerning my April 12, 1991 letter requesting a reinstatement of my membership in the Boy Scouts of America. It was my understanding from the material that I was given by the Atlanta Area Council that I would hear from you within 30 days.

I have been out of town on business the past 45 days, and you may have tried to contact me. If that is true, I apologize. If you have not, please let me hear from you as soon as possible. I would like to get on with my scouting career.

Sincerely,

*Robert L. Shirley, Jr.*

Robert L. Shirley, Jr.

[REDACTED]  
Dallas, GA 30132-4656  
[REDACTED]

Chief Scout Executive  
Boy Scouts of America  
[REDACTED]

Irving, TX 75015-2079

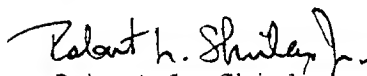
27 March 1991

Dear Sir:

On September 10, 1990; my membership in the Boy Scouts of America was suspended by the Atlanta Area Council. After an investigation by both the Cobb County Police Crimes Against Children Unit of the Cobb County Police and the Cobb County Department of Family and Children Services, I applied for reinstatement in the Boy Scouts. A Regional Review by the Southeast Region did not find in my favor.

Therefore, I am appealing their decision to you for a review at the National level. I am getting together documentation to support my reinstatement, and that information will follow in the next 15 days. If there is any specific information that you need for your review, please let me hear from you.

Sincerely,

  
Robert L. Shirley, Jr.

[REDACTED]  
Dallas, Georgia 30132-4656  
[REDACTED]

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## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

SOUTHEAST REGION  
50 Chastain Center Boulevard  
P.O. Box 440728  
Kennesaw, Georgia 30144  
[REDACTED]

February 27, 1991

P E R S O N A L   &   C O N F I D E N T I A L

Mr. Robert Shirley, Jr.  
[REDACTED]

Dallas, GA 30132-4656

Dear Mr. Shirley:

A Southeast Regional Review Committee met to review material concerning the denial of your membership in the Boy Scouts of America.

After a careful review of the information, the committee found no basis to overturn the decision of membership denial.

If you wish to appeal the decision of the review committee, you must write within 30 days to the Chief Scout Executive, Boy Scouts of America, P. O. Box 152079, Irving, TX 75015-2079. You must explain why you believe the decision is in error before review proceedings will be initiated at the national level.

Sincerely,

James O. Wilson  
Assistant Regional Director

JDW:mjh

cc: Archie Crain, Scout Executive

!BCC: ✓ Paul Ernst  
! Wayne Brock

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MEMORANDUM OF DECISION BY REGIONAL REVIEW COMMITTEE REGARDING ROBERT SHIRLEY  
Southeast Region, Boy Scouts of America

The Southeast Region Review Committee met on February 23, 1991, and reviewed all materials concerning Mr. Shirley's membership denial. After careful review, the committee found no basis to overturn the original decision of membership denial. The committee confirms the denial of Mr. Shirley's registration.



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

SOUTHEAST REGION  
50 Chastain Center Boulevard  
P.O. Box 440728  
Kennesaw, Georgia 30144  
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February 27, 1991

Personal and Confidential

Mr. Mark C. Tate  
[REDACTED]

Scottsboro, AL 35768

Dear Mr. Tate:

A Southeast Regional Review Committee met to review material concerning the denial of your membership in the Boy Scouts of America.

After a careful review of the information, the committee found no basis to overturn the decision of membership denial.

If you wish to appeal the decision of the review committee, you must write within 30 days to the Chief Scout Executive, Boy Scouts of America, P. O. Box 152079, Irving, TX 75015-2079. You must explain why you believe the decision is in error before review proceedings will be initiated at the national level.

Sincerely yours,

James D. Wilson  
Assistant Regional Director

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cc: Jack Gauldin, Scout Executive

!BCC: Paul Ernst  
! Bob Holt

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## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

SOUTHEAST REGION  
50 Chastain Center Boulevard  
P.O. Box 440728  
Kennesaw, Georgia 30144  
[REDACTED]

### MEMORANDUM OF DECISION BY REGIONAL REVIEW COMMITTEE REGARDING MARK C. TATE Southeast Region, Boy Scouts of America

The Southeast Region Review Committee met on February 22, 1991, and reviewed all materials concerning Mr. Tate's membership denial. After careful review, the committee found no basis to overturn the original decision of membership denial. The committee confirms the denial of Mr. Tate's registration.



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BARBARA GOSEY

February 27, 1991

Mr. James D. Wilson  
Assistant Regional Director  
Boy Scouts of America  
Southeast Region

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: ROBERT SHIRLEY & MARK C. TATE

Dear Jim:

This gives you written approval to send the letters to both Mr. Shirley and Mr. Tate indicating that they can appeal to the national council, if they so desire. This approves the letter which indicates the region's decision to uphold the suspension of registration.

Let me know if you have any questions concerning these individuals. We would appreciate copies of any letters which you send.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration and Statistical Service

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Southeast Region  
**BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA**  
50 Chastain Center Blvd.  
P.O. Box 440728  
Kennesaw, Georgia 30144

## TRANSMITTAL REPORT

Date: Feb. 26, 1991

Total number of pages including this cover form: 5

Please deliver the following pages to:

Name: Paul Ernst  
Company: S108

FROM: Jim Wilson  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA, SOUTHEAST REGION

Remarks: Please call/FAX approval  
of committee decisions  
on Robert Shirley &  
Mark TATE

MINUTES

Region Review of Robert Shirley, Jr.  
Membership Denial  
February 23, 1991-7:00 a.m.  
Hyatt Sarasota  
Sarasota, FL

Present:

Jim Feltham  
Bob Packer

George Jeter  
Wayne Brock

Jim Wilson

The committee reviewed all the materials on file regarding Mr. Shirley. After considerable discussion, the committee came to the conclusion that the Atlanta Area Council acted properly in denying Mr. Shirley's membership and saw no reason to overturn their decision.

Prepared by: Wayne Brock, Area IV Director

Memorandum of Decision by Regional Review

Committee Regarding Robert Shirley, Jr.

The committee met on February 23, 1991 and reviewed all materials on file regarding Mr. Shirley. It was the decision of the committee that the action of the Atlanta Area Council denying Mr. Shirley's registration was appropriate. The committee confirms the council's denial of Mr. Shirley's registration.

February 8, 1991

FEB 08 1991

A. GRAVES

Mr. Archie R. Crain  
Scout Executive  
Atlanta Area Council, No. 92

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: ROBERT SHIRLEY, JR.

Dear Jim:

This is the official letter to give you the authority to proceed with the regional review with Mr. Shirley. As far as I can determine, our file is complete and should contain all the information which would be necessary for the regional review to take place.

If you have any questions as you proceed further with this, do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration and Statistical Service

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cc: Hoyt Hunt, Southeast Region  
Wayne Brock, Southeast Region

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## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

SOUTHEAST REGION  
50 Chastain Center Boulevard  
P.O. Box 440728  
Kennesaw, Georgia 30144  
[REDACTED]

February 5, 1991

P E R S O N A L   A N D   C O N F I D E N T I A L

Mr. Robert Shirley, Jr.  
[REDACTED]

Dallas, GA 30132-4656

Dear Mr. Shirley:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated January 31, 1991, and received in this office on February 5, requesting a regional review of your membership denial by the Boy Scouts of America. As explained to you in the letter from Mr. Archie Crain, Scout executive of the Atlanta Area Council, a regional review committee will be appointed.

You will receive a letter setting forth the decision of the committee.

Sincerely,

James D. Wilson  
Assistant Regional Director

!BCC: Wayne Brock!  
! Archie Crain!  
! John Belk!  
! Paul Ernst!  
! Hoyt Hunt!

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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

SOUTHEAST REGION  
50 Chastain Center Boulevard  
P.O. Box 440728  
Kennesaw, Georgia 30144  
[REDACTED]

February 5, 1991

P E R S O N A L   &   C O N F I D E N T I A L

TO: Archie Crain

FROM: Jim Wilson

SUBJECT: ROBERT SHIRLEY, JR. CASE

Enclosed are:

1. Correspondence from Robert Shirley dated January 31, 1991.
2. A copy of the letter sent to Robert Shirley indicating that we will formulate a regional review.

JDW:mjh

cc: Paul Ernst  
Wayne Brock

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FEB 5 1991

Mr. James D. Wilson  
Assistant Regional Director  
Southeast Region, Boy Scouts of America  
[REDACTED]  
Kennesaw, GA 30144

31 January 1991

Dear Mr. Wilson:

Thank you for your quick response to my request. I hope that the following information will help you in your analysis.

On September 10, 1990; Mr. Archie Crain called me requesting that I meet with him that afternoon at the Council office. When I arrived, we met in his office along with Mr. Penny Jones. At that time, Mr. Crain presented me with the letter stating that my membership in the Boy Scouts of America had been suspended. He told me that the reason for the suspension was an allegation of child abuse. That is all of the information that he gave, except to say that I would be hearing from "the agency" soon as to the specifics of the allegation. The letter that he gave me stated that I had 60 days from the receipt of the letter to appeal this decision.

I waited almost the full 60 days to be contacted by someone. Since I had not been contacted by any "agency", or anyone else concerning the allegation, I wrote Mr. Crain at the first of November requesting an immediate reinstatement of my membership. I received a response from Mr. Crain stating that until the Child Protective Service of DFACS has disposed of the matter, the Council would be unable to take action on my request. This is the first time that I knew which agency was conducting an investigation.

On November 28, I received a call from a Detective Chenoweth of the Cobb County Police. He asked me for a meeting on November 30. We met at his office on the morning of the 30th. Also in attendance was Ms. Nancy Pendergraft of Cobb County DFACS. This was not an interrogation, but simply a meeting where I was informed of the specific allegation and where their investigation had taken them. Detective Chenoweth told me that he had spoken with several Scouters in the Units in which I was registered, and that he had heard nothing but praises for my Scouting background and history. He specifically stated that he expected the ground to shake and for me to have a halo over my head when I walked in because of the good things he had heard. We talked for about 30 minutes. He asked me my response to the allegations, and I denied them.

He told me that their investigation had not turned up any facts that lead them to pursue the investigation any further. He also stated that he had arrested persons on only the word of a child. This relieved me to hear this, due to the fact that I had not been charged with anything, and that this was not a interrogation. Ms. Pendergraft agreed with this statement, and told me that I could expect a letter within 10 days stating that their investigation had not turned up any facts to lead to any prosecution. She said that I was free to share this letter with the Boy Scouts, although they (DFACS) were not at liberty to do so. Due to the Christmas holidays, and governmental bureaucracy, this letter did not reach me until January 4. At that time, I called Mr. Crain

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and requested a meeting with him to discuss my reinstatement in the BSA. We met on the afternoon of the 11th. At that time he informed me that policy had changed and that I would need to request a regional review of my suspension. Since I was determined to pursue my reinstatement, I requested that Mr. Crain forward my request to the regional office.

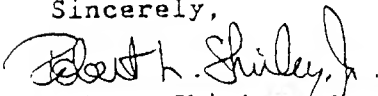
I have had a long history in Scouting, having been continuously registered since 1965, when I started my Scouting career as a Cub Scout. I have had the opportunity to work with a great many Scouts over the past 14 years as an adult Scouter. There has never been any question as to my sincerity or character. The current allegation came as a complete surprise. I have no idea what would cause this former Scout to make this allegation against me. I can state in the strongest of terms that the allegation is untrue, and that anyone who has been associated with me in Scouting would relate the same to you. Also, I feel that if those doing the investigation had believed the charges, they would have pursued the investigation further instead of calling it "unconfirmed." Those who have known me both in Scouting, and in my other activities have been shocked by what is going on.


All I have to offer in a way of defense is my long past history in Scouting. I will be glad to provide you with the names of both Scouts and Scouters with whom I have been associated with in my Scouting career. There are several who have expressed their willingness to talk with you, and I have listed their names and addresses below. I understand that you have already heard from Mr. Bob Claunch, and that he is writing a letter of support for my reinstatement.


Mr. Wilson, I am very anxious to get this matter resolved and to get back to Scouting. I have been very active as an adult Scouter. My whole calendar revolves around Scouting activities, and the lack of Scouting over the past 5 months has affected both my physical and mental health. I can not state strongly enough my desire to resume this important aspect of my life. I have missed out on several activities that I helped to plan already, and do not want to miss any more, especially Wood Badge. Please let me know if there is any more information that you need, or if I can offer more explanation.

I look forward to hearing from you soon!

Sincerely,

  
Robert Shirley, Jr.

  
Dallas, GA 30132-4656

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Attachments

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REFERENCES:

G. William Hill, IV, Ph.D.  
Chairman & Assoc. Professor of Psychology  
Kennesaw State College  
Marietta, Georgia 30061

Bion D. Jones  
Cobb District Vice-Chairman  
[REDACTED]  
Marietta, Georgia 30060

Harold Smith  
Director of Special Education  
Fulton County School System  
[REDACTED]

Riverdale, Georgia 30296

MATERIALS IN SOUTHEAST REGION FILE RE: ROBERT SHIRLEY, JR. CASE

September 10, 1990 letter from Laurence K. Packard, Rector, St. Catherine's Episcopal Church, to Archie Crain, Scout executive, Atlanta Area Council.

September 10, 1990 CONFIDENTIAL notes on conversation with Scout [REDACTED] by Rev. Laurence K. Packard.

September 10, 1990 statement signed by Scout [REDACTED] and his mother [REDACTED]

September 11, 1990 Memorandum of Conversation by Archie Crain.

Membership denial letter to Robert Shirley dated September 10, 1990.

Ineligible Volunteer File - Robert Shirley, Jr. dated September 11, 1990.

September 12, 1990 letter to Child Protective Services, DFC, by Archie Crain.

Memorandum of Action Regarding Child Molestation Report by Archie Crain.

September 12, 1990 acknowledgment of receipt of report from Archie Crain by the Cobb Co. Dept. of Family & Children Services.

November 4, 1990 letter to Archie Crain from Robert Shirley.

January 4, 1991, report from Cobb Co. Dept. of Family and Children Services signed by Nancy Pendergraft and Jane B. Jones.

January 17, 1991, letter to Archie Crain from Robert Shirley requesting a regional review of membership denial.

January 24, 1991, letter to Jim Wilson from Archie Crain stating that Robert Shirley wants to request a regional review.

January 29, 1991, letter to Robert Shirley from Jim Wilson outlining steps to request a regional review.

January 31, 1991, letter to Jim Wilson from Robert Shirley.

February 5, 1991, letter to Robert Shirley from Jim Wilson stating that a regional review would be conducted.



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## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

SOUTHEAST REGION  
50 Chastain Center Boulevard  
P.O. Box 440728  
Kennesaw, Georgia 30144  
[REDACTED]

January 29, 1991

### P E R S O N A L   &   C O N F I D E N T I A L

Mr. Robert Shirley, Jr.  
[REDACTED]

Dallas, GA 30132-4656

Dear Mr. Shirley:

We wish to acknowledge your request for a regional review of your membership denial in the Boy Scouts of America.

If you wish to request a regional review of your membership denial, the following procedure must be followed:

1. You must send written documentation to me at the Southeast Region office of the Boy Scouts of America, P. O. Box 440728, Kennesaw, GA 30144 responsive to the local council notification of allegations to you on Monday, September 10th. Specifically, it should state why you feel that the local council decision is in error.
2. Once we have received your documentation response, we will make an analysis of this documentation and decide whether an appointed regional review committee is justified.
3. If the committee feels that it has sufficient new information from the documentation submitted to make a decision, it may do so at that time.

The review would be based on the information written per Item No. 1 above.

Sincerely,

James D. Wilson  
Assistant Regional Director

JDW:mjh

cc: Archie Crain, Atlanta Area Council

!bcc: Wayne Brock  
! Paul Ernst w/ attachments received from Archie Crain January 28, 1991

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ATLANTA AREA COUNCIL  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA  
100 Edgewood Ave., 4th Floor  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

January 24, 1991

CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. Robert L. Shirley, Jr.  
[REDACTED]  
Dallas, GA 30132-4836

Dear Robert:

Your letter requesting the Regional Review has been submitted to our Southeast Region Office. I'm sure that the Review will be conducted as soon as possible, and you may expect to hear the results of the Review when completed.

Sincerely,

Archie R. Crain  
Scout Executive

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ATLANTA AREA COUNCIL

# BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

100 Edgewood Ave., 4th Floor  
Atlanta, GA 30303

January 24, 1991

CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. Jim Wilson  
Southeast Region, BSA  
[REDACTED]  
Kennesaw, GA 30144

Dear Jim:

The membership of Robert L. Shirley, Jr. was suspended on September 10, 1990. Allegations resulting in the suspension were reported to the Cobb County Department of Family and Childrens' Services.

Robert is requesting a Regional Review of his suspension and would like to have his membership re-instated.

Please let me know if I can be of assistance in completing the Review Process.

Sincerely yours,

Archie R. Crain  
Scout Executive

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Member Agency:  
Metropolitan Atlanta United Way  
Covington-Newton County United Fund

Counties Served: Carroll, Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb, Douglas, Fulton, Gwinnett  
Haralson, Newton, Paulding, Pickens, and Rockdale

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Cobb County Department  
Of Family And Children Services

MARIETTA, GEORGIA 30060



January 4, 1991

Mr. Robert Shirley  
[REDACTED]  
Dallas, Georgia 30132

Re: GREEN, Matthew

Dear Mr. Shirley:

We have completed the child abuse investigation regarding the above named child. While we have no reason to disbelieve [REDACTED] report, our investigation failed to either establish evidentiary proof that abuse occurred or to negate the possibility that such abuse occurred. For this reason, our case is unconfirmed.

We appreciate your cooperation.

Sincerely,

COBB COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF  
FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES

*Nancy Pendergraft*  
Nancy Pendergraft  
Social Services Specialist II

*Jane B. Jones*  
Jane B. Jones  
Deputy Director

NP/pt

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Mr. Archle Crain  
Scout Executive, Atlanta Area Council  
Boy Scouts of America  
[REDACTED]  
Atlanta, GA 30303

17 January 1991

Dear Archle:

Thank you once again for meeting with me this afternoon. This letter is to confirm my request for a Regional Review of the suspension of my membership in the Boy Scouts of America. I would request that this review take place as soon as possible. I am willing to provide any information, references, etc. needed by the Review Committee as to my character and the allegations that have been made.

I look forward to being able to serve in the Boy Scout movement in the very near future.

Sincerely,

*Robert L. Shirley, Jr.*  
Robert L. Shirley, Jr.  
[REDACTED]

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ATLANTA AREA COUNCIL

# BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

100 Edgewood Ave., 4th Floor Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Phone [REDACTED]

November 14, 1990

Mr. Robert L. Shirley, Jr.

[REDACTED]  
Dallas, GA 30132-4656

Dear Robert:

Your recent letter requesting an immediate reinstatement of your membership in the Boy Scouts of America has been received.

Until the Child Protective Service of the Department of Family and Children Services has disposed of this matter, we will be unable to take action on your request.

Sincerely,

Archie R. Crain  
Scout Executive

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Member Agency:  
Metropolitan Atlanta United Way  
Covington-Newton County United Fund

Counties Served: Carroll, Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb, Douglas, Fulton, Gwinnett, Haralson, Newton, Paulding, Pickens, and Rockdale

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Mr. Archie R. Crain  
Scout Executive, Atlanta Area Council  
Boy Scouts of America

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

4 November 1990

Dear Mr. Crain,

On September 10, 1990, you called me to the Scout office for a meeting with yourself and Mr. Penny Jones. At that time, you presented me with a letter stating that my membership in the Boy Scouts of America had been suspended. You told me that the reason was a accusation of child abuse. The letter stated that I had 60 days to have this decision reviewed. When I told you that I knew of no accusations, charges, or investigation going on, you stated that I would be contacted by "the Agency" within the next few days. You requested that I suspend all of my Scouting activities immediately.

Knowing the Boy Scout Youth Protection Policy, I realized that you were just following policy, and I felt that this matter would be cleared up quickly. Although I was very involved in planning the Cobb District fall activities, the Fall Basic Leader Training, and getting started on Wood Badge Course 92-29; I called all of those involved and stated that due to a "personal conflict", I would need to drop out of these activities for an unspecified time. Everyone involved was very understanding, and asked if there was anything that they could do for me.

As of this date, I have not been contacted by anyone concerning the allegations, nor am I aware of any investigation going on. I have waited very patiently to hear something. I have watched many of the programs that I helped to plan happen from the sidelines. Now the 60 days are almost up.

Since I have not heard from any "Agency", I can only assume that there is no investigation going on; or that an investigation found no truth in the accusation. Surely, they would have contacted me by now.

Therefore, I hereby request an immediate reinstatement of my membership in the Boy Scouts of America. Two of the things that I enjoy the most about Scouting have already passed, and one is about to get started. If I am to be able to get back involved in any of these activities that I enjoy, and am very good at; I need to hear from you quickly.

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I look forward to hearing from you real soon! We both stated in our meeting that we hoped to get this resolved as quickly as possible. I would like to get on with my Scouting work both in the Council and the District. I appreciate your confidential handling of this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Robert L. Shirley, Jr.

Robert L. Shirley, Jr.

Dallas, Georgia 30132-4656

CONF019047

October 9, 1990

Mr. Archie R. Crain  
Scout Executive  
Atlanta Area Council, No. 92

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: ROBERT L. SHIRLEY, JR.

Dear Archie:

Thank you for the detailed information sent concerning the above Scouter. This case has been reviewed with our attorney and is now on our permanent Ineligible Volunteer File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration and Statistical Service

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cc: Southeast Region

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OCT 09 1990

ERIN O'RILEY

CONF019048

September 20, 1990

Mr. Archie R. Crain  
Scout Executive  
Atlanta Area Council, No. 92

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: ROBERT L. SHIRLEY, JR.

Dear Archie:

Thanks for the material you recently sent. This is most complete and will enable us to refuse registration, should it be attempted at another time.

I have placed all this material in our file and do not know of anything else I need, except for the information that might be necessary if there is to be any legal action. You indicated that you have reported this, and if any legal action is to take place we would like to know about that. Otherwise, I believe we have a complete file.

Thanks again for your help.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration and Statistical Service

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cc: Southeast Region

READY TO FILE  
SEP 21 1990  
ERIN O'RILEY

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ATLANTA AREA COUNCIL

# BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

100 Edgewood Ave., 4th Floor Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Phone [REDACTED]

September 11, 1990

CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. Paul Ernst  
National Council, BSA  
P. O. Box 152079  
Irving, TX 75015-2079

Dear Paul:

We have enclosed documents, forms, etc. related to action we have taken to suspend the registration of Robert L. Shirley, Jr. Please review the enclosed and let me know if further information is needed regarding this matter.

We request that you take the necessary steps to prevent further registration of this individual in the Boy Scouts of America.

Sincerely,

Archie R. Crain  
Scout Executive

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cc: Hoyt Hunt, SE Regional Director

*Added to IV file  
deleted from my file  
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Member Agency:  
Metropolitan Atlanta United Way  
Covington-Newton County United Fund

Counties Served: Carroll, Cherokee, Clayton, Cobb, DeKalb, Douglas, Fulton, Gwinnett,  
Haralson, Newton, Paulding, Pickens, and Rockdale

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ATLANTA AREA COUNCIL

# BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

100 Edgewood Ave., 4th Floor Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Phone [REDACTED]

September 12, 1990

Ms. Mitzi Wagner, Supervisor  
Child Protective Services  
Department of Family and Children Services  
[REDACTED]  
Marietta, GA 30060

RE: Statement from Atlanta Area  
Council, BSA regarding a  
report of Child Molestation

Dear Ms. Wagner:

This is in follow up to my phone call regarding a child molestation which was reported to our office by the Rev. Laurence K. Packard, Rector of St. Catherine's Episcopal Church (see enclosed).

We are making this report in keeping with our legal responsibilities as well as the protection of young people. If we can be of further assistance you may contact me directly at the above address.

Sincerely,

Archie R. Crain  
Scout Executive

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ATLANTA AREA COUNCIL

# BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

100 Edgewood Ave., 4th Floor Atlanta, Georgia 30303

September 10, 1990

Mr. Robert L. Shirley, Jr.

Dallas, GA 30132-4656


Dear Robert:

After careful review, we have decided that your registration with the Boy Scouts of America should be suspended. We are therefore compelled to request that you sever any relations you may have with the Boy Scouts of America. A refund of your registration fee is enclosed.

You should understand that BSA membership registration is a privilege and is not automatically granted to everyone who applies. We reserve the right to suspend registration whenever there is a concern that an individual may not measure up to the high standards of membership the BSA seeks to provide for American youth.

If you wish to have this decision reviewed, please write to me within 60 days of the date of this letter, explaining your version of the facts supporting your claim that your registration as a BSA member should be reinstated. The procedures for review are attached.

Sincerely yours,

  
Archie R. Crain  
Scout Executive

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# St. Catherine's Episcopal Church

September 10th., 1990

Mr. Archie Crane  
Boy Scouts of America  
[REDACTED]  
Atlanta, Georgia 30303

Dear Mr. Crane:

I enclose the biographical and written case of the event discussed in your office.

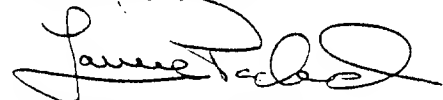
Please make this very important note: the young man in question is 17 years old and will not turn 18 until October!

Given this important change in legal status, I secured the mother's signature giving permission to release the information to you. The father is a pilot and is in Paris.

I want to thank you for the professional manner in which you dispatched our business as well as the high degree of care which came through for all persons in question. I have told my Bishop and Chancellor of the process for handling the case and of my complete satisfaction in how it has been handled to date.

I will stay in touch with you regarding anything transacted on this end. Please give my highest regards to Mr. Jones. He made a valuable contribution to the discussion...as well as a great foot soldier!

Sincerely yours,



Laurence K. Packard  
Rector

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# St. Catherine's Episcopal Church

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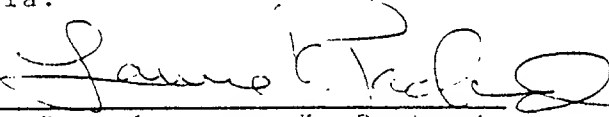
On Friday afternoon, September 7th., [REDACTED] came to my office without an appointment, but seeking counseling. A casual conversation gave way to serious discussion about a "problem." I reminded [REDACTED] that our conversation was confidential and would not leave my office without his permission. He has given permission to me, in accord with his parent's wishes, to release this information to Mr. Archer Crane of the BSA, the Atlanta Council Legal Representatives, to be filed with the National Scouting Office, and those authorities conducting any investigation of this case.

He dictated his personal statement to me concerning the case as well as his present feelings about it.

## Biographical Information

Name: [REDACTED]  
Birthdate: [REDACTED]  
Member of Troop 713 from summer, 1984 to summer, 1989.  
Address: [REDACTED] Marietta, Georgia 30068  
Phone: [REDACTED]  
Fathers Name: [REDACTED]  
Mother's Name: [REDACTED]  
This parents are living together.  
[REDACTED] has two older sisters, one older brother; he is the youngest.

I am releasing this information with the advice and consent of the Bishop and Chancellor of the Episcopal Diocese of Atlanta and the Wardens of St. Catherine's Episcopal Church in Marietta, Georgia.

  
The Rev. Laurence K. Packard  
Rector  
September 10, 1990

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CONFIDENTIAL VERBATIM STATEMENT OF

[REDACTED]  
September 10th., 1990

Event #1:

"I was at the Bert Adams Boy Scout Camp during the summer of 1984. It was a Wednesday night, (after sunset), when the event happened with Robert Shirley. We were lying in a hammock together. (we had done this at a previous camp out, and had just swung back and forth together.) The hammock was small. He was lying on the bottom, and I was lying on top of him, with my feet toward his head. I recall wearing running shorts and a T-shirt. We were discussing ordinary things, just talking. I don't recall at what point the conversation ceased because I had fallen asleep.

"When I awoke, the front of my pants and underwear had been pulled down. I had an erection. I felt Robert fondling my penis. I remember him specifically running his fingers around the base of the head of the penis.

"The next thing I remember is him putting the palm of his hand on my stomach. I then flinched, jumped a little bit, but still pretended like I was asleep.

"He then pulled my pants up, set my clothing to normal, and told me to go into my tent and go to sleep. The rest of the scouts were already in their tents.

"I knew at that time that I had been violated.

"The next morning, Robert came to me out in front of troop's camp. He asked me if I slept okay. I said yes. He made reference to if I had an erection when I woke up. I said yes that I did. He said that I was probably dreaming about [REDACTED] (a fellow scout's younger sister). What came across in my mind was that he was trying to make an excuse. I agreed and went about doing something else.

"I left camp and tried to forget that it had ever happened."

Event #2

"Robert moved to Tennessee. When he was getting ready to go, I knew the opportunity was there to go and visit him in Tennessee like [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. I specifically recall receiving two letters from him. The letters did not say anything important."

## Event #3

"In the Spring of 1987, ( I wish I had my patches with me, and I could tell you exactly when we went), I saw Robert at the Spring Jamboree. Near the end of the weekend, we were walking to the Awards' Ceremony. There was a main line of scouts, and we were walking beside it by ourselves. He then asked me if I had masterbated. I said no. And, I remember him asking something like, 'why not?' I said that 'I just did not feel the need yet.' The conversation drifted off, and I went back and rejoined my troop before the ceremony. I was surprised that he had the gall to ask me that question after what he had done to me.

"I was feeling angered at him that he was not out of my life, like I could not get rid of him. I thought like once he was in Tennessee, he was going to stay, and I would not have to worry about him ever again. That's why I never wrote back to him."

## Event #4

"I then saw him at [REDACTED] Eagle ceremony. I remember walking up to the conversation, other people around, not because I wanted to talk to him...but I had something to say to [REDACTED]. Other people left the conversation...we were alone. He asked some very menial questions, and I was very short in my answers...not mean to him, but quick. And I ended up walking off to do something else. I was feeling mad because he's one of the last people I wanted to see. At that point, I had no friendly feelings for him whatsoever. Before, I was very upset that somebody that close to me had done that to me, but at this point I had almost a 'hate' for him. When i saw him my heart would beat faster; it was a feeling of despise and serious dislike.

## CONCLUDING STATEMENT:

"Where I am Now with This"

I am angry at Robert Shirley for what he did...I feel like he did an injustice to me and left me wondering if I was still normal. Well, in recent times, I have felt strong feelings of wanting to avenge what happened. Thoughts have often come to violent endings, but I never wanted to take action upon those thoughts. I just don't think he'd be worth any kind of punishment I would receive. So I am here now reporting this."

[REDACTED]

September 10, 1990

I have read the above statement and give my permission for this to be released to the above named persons on page one.

[REDACTED]



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## MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

I called Robert Shirley on Monday, September 10, at 11:50 a.m. requesting that he meet me in my office at 1:30 p.m. if at all possible. Mr. Shirley met with me and E.P. Jones, the staff member assigned to work with me and the Council Youth Protection - Child Abuse Prevention Committee. Mr. Jones was asked to attend this meeting on the advise of General Counsel, John Boman, with whom I reviewed, by telephone, the facts brought to me by Mr. Carl Ward, Committee Chairman of Troop 713 and Rev. Laurence K. Packard, Rector of St. Catherine's Episcopal Church. Mr. Jones was also in attendance at this meeting at 10 a.m. of the same day.

My statement to Mr. Shirley was to hand him a letter and ask him to read that his membership, effective immediately, was suspended and a check for his membership refund in the amount of \$7.00 was enclosed, along with a statement of procedures for a review.

I stated that this was not a pleasant task but this action was required, due to the allegations made about him. I told him that we were not an "investigative agency" and, by State Law, were required to report what was reported to us.

Mr. Jones also restated to Mr. Shirley that his registration was suspended effective immediately and that he must sever any and all Scouting activities, leadership and contacts immediately.

I also stated to him that this matter would receive confidential treatment within the Scouting Organization and suggested that he might wish to keep it confidential as well.

The meeting adjourned at 2 p.m.

  
Archie R. Crain

September 11, 1990



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# BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

## COUNCIL

No. 92 Date 9-19-9

REFER TO YOUR TRANSMITTAL REPORT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

☒ **CREDIT NOTICE**

☐ **DEBIT NOTICE**

Claire

REGISTRATION SERVICE

## REGISTRATION

Unit no. 51111 Term: \_\_\_\_\_ months

☐ unit ☐ additional enrollment

☐ Unit charter fee of \$20: Received \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Required \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ 1 Leaders { multiple @ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each: Received \$ 7.00 Required \$ 0  
transfer @ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each: Received \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Required \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Members { multiple @ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each: Received \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Required \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
transfer @ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each: Received \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Required \$ \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Members \_\_\_\_\_ Leaders listed on transmittal form \_\_\_\_\_ Leaders listed on application \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Transfers must pay \$1 each. Renewal date given \_\_\_\_\_ We have \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Not on transmittal report ☐ Duplicate entry ☐ No application received

☐ Correction made per your letter/telephone call \_\_\_\_\_

☐ No answer to our defective registration telephone inquiry \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Returning \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Under age ☐ Incomplete address ☐ Name missing

## BOYS' LIFE

Term: \_\_\_\_\_ months

☐ Paid for \_\_\_\_\_ subscriptions; listed \_\_\_\_\_ subscriptions: Received \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Required \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Incorrect fees: \_\_\_\_\_ subscriptions. ☐ Back issues are not available.

☐ Please check attached copy. Pay debit—use credit or return with copy of the roster showing corrections needed.

Robert Shirley

Please add or subtract the amount(s) indicated on your next transmittal in the proper column(s) and return the original.

### BILLING

|                  |          |                           |          |
|------------------|----------|---------------------------|----------|
| Unit charter fee | \$ _____ | Explorer                  | \$ _____ |
| Tiger Cub        | \$ _____ | Career Awareness Explorer | \$ _____ |
| Cub Scout        | \$ _____ | Leader                    | \$ _____ |
| Boy Scout        | \$ _____ | Boys' Life                | \$ _____ |
| Varsity Scout    | \$ _____ | Total                     | \$ _____ |

### CREDITING

|                  |          |                           |                |
|------------------|----------|---------------------------|----------------|
| Unit charter fee | \$ _____ | Explorer                  | \$ _____       |
| Tiger Cub        | \$ _____ | Career Awareness Explorer | \$ _____       |
| Cub Scout        | \$ _____ | Leader                    | \$ <u>7.00</u> |
| Boy Scout        | \$ _____ | Boys' Life                | \$ _____       |
| Varsity Scout    | \$ _____ | Total                     | \$ <u>7.00</u> |